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## **SENATE RESOLUTION**

## MR. PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION recognizing Senator Steve Johnson for over 20 years of distinguished service to the Indiana General Assembly and honoring him on his retirement from the Indiana Senate.

Whereas, Steve Johnson was first elected to the Indiana General Assembly in 1980, serving in the House of Representatives for two terms, from 1980-1982 and from 1984-1986:

Whereas, in 1986, Steve was elected to the Indiana Senate and has served since that time with distinction;

Whereas, following his first year in the Senate, Senator Johnson was honored as the Outstanding Freshman Legislator of the Year in 1987;

Whereas, Senator Johnson has made many valuable contributions to the Indiana Senate, serving on numerous standing committees, including the Senate Finance Committee

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and the Public Policy Committee, where he held the position of Ranking Member; as well as serving as a member of the Health and Provider Services Committee and the Energy and Economic Development Committee;

Whereas, Senator Johnson's excellent grasp of complex issues such as Medicaid and finance has been an asset to many of his fellow Senators when grappling with these challenging issues;

Whereas, Senator Johnson has demonstrated tireless energy in serving the residents of Senate District 21, including portions of Boone, Hamilton, Howard and Tipton counties;

Whereas, Senator Johnson has dedicated time and effort to ensure that students in grades K-12 have access to cutting edge technology;

Whereas, this past January Senator Johnson was honored with the first Representative Gloria Goeglein Award from the Marion County Mental Health Association for his work in mental health and his outstanding leadership on mental health issues:

Whereas, Senator Johnson is regarded with the highest esteem by his many friends and colleagues in the General Assembly and will be greatly missed;

Whereas, Steve is wished the very best in his new endeavors, in which he is certain to excel: Therefore,



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## Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana State Senate hereby congratulates Steve Johnson on his retirement from the Senate after over 20 years of service to the Indiana General Assembly.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to Steve Johnson, and to his wife, Mary Beth Johnson.



